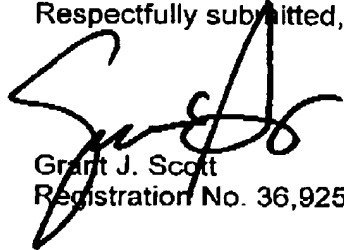


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Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to enter this second preliminary amendment prior to any further examination of the present application. Based on this amendment, Claims 28-40 remain pending for examination, which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



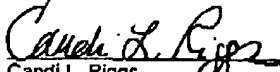
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